Thursday, March 6, 2008

Public Works RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 12

Subject: Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings for the West 24th Street and Vista Wastewater Improvement Project, a portion of the Austin Clean Water Program, to acquire a 2,237 square foot permanent wastewater line easement and a 597 square foot temporary working space easement out of Lot 2, Pemberton Heights, Section Twelve, a subdivision in Travis County, Texas, in the amount of \$7,938. The owners of the needed property interests are Carol Suzanne Bryant and Sarah J. Goodfriend. The property is located at 1500 West 24th Street, Austin, Travis County, Texas.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission.

The design plans for the West 24th Street and Vista Wastewater Improvement Project, a portion of the Austin Clean Water Program, require the acquisition of a permanent wastewater line easement and a temporary working space easement on the property located at 1500 West 24th Street, Austin, Texas. The City of Austin has attempted to purchase the needed permanent wastewater line easement and the temporary working space easement from the landowners; however, the parties have been unable to agree on the fair market value thereof. The Law Department is requesting authorization to file an action in eminent domain on behalf of the City of Austin.